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MINUTES

of the

Forty-seventh Annual Session

of the

Little Kehukee Primitive Baptist Association

held with the

Church at Long Branch

Edgecombe County, N. C.

Commencing Saturday before the third Sunday in October, 1942, and continuing three days, October 17, 18, 19.

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Proceedings

The Forty-Seventh Annual Session of The Little Kehukee Association convened with the Church at Long Branch October 17, 18, 19, 1942.

Elder A. Hyman preached the introduction sermon, followed by Elder James Dickens, his alternate. The Moderator sang hymn 284, and dismissed the people one hour for recess.

Saturday Evening Conference

Elder Thomas Bess opened conference by invocation and praise.

Moved that Elder A. Hyman continue Moderator of this Association.

Moved all visiting brethren be invited to seats and participate in the business of the conference.

Moved that a door be opened for the reception of new members.

Moved we appoint a finance committee, viz: T. W. Haywood, Henry Harris and Telfaire Joyner.

Moved we appoint the following brethren as committee on preaching: Edward R. Knight, Sam Kearny and Jno. R. Parker.

Moved we send Elders Thomas Bess and Geo. Sumners to the stand to preach for the people.

Moved that we hear reports from our correspondence associations.

Elder Marshal Cooper of the Turner Swamp Association, and Elder Wm. Thompson of the Durham Association, came forward with a file of minutes, representing peace and desiring the friendly correspondence to continue.

They were received. The Moderator and Clerk extending the right hand of fellowship.

On motion, the roll of Churches was called. All were present with their contributions as follows:

Churches	Messengers	Contributions
Bryant Chapel	D. Bellamy, K. W. Jones	$10.00
Long Branch	T. W. Haywood, Ed. Knight	10.00
Logsboro	Mc Dickens, S. Dunn	10.00
Leggett Chapel	Austin Higgs, Nor. Kearny	12.00
Pleasant Grove	C. Battle, T. Joyner	12.00
Thorne Hill	T. Joyner, Mc Council	12.00
Hill Chapel	A. Hyman	2.00
Little Tarboro	C. Cotten, M. Langley	7.00
Mt. Ararat	S. Kerney, W. Jones	14.00
Total received from Churches		$89.00

On motion, the above report was received.

On motion, petitionary letters were called for. None presented.

On motion, agreed, the next session of our Association will be held with the Church at Thorne Hill, Nash County.

Elder A. Hyman was appointed to preach the introductory sermon; Elder Jas. Dickens, alternate.

The committee on preaching report as follows:

Sunday, A. M.—Elder Wm. Thompson, Elder Thos. Bess, Elder. M. Cooper.

Sunday, P. M.—Elder James Dickens, Elder K. W. Jones, Elder A. Hyman.

Monday, A. M.—Elder Joe Louis, Elder Wm. Thompson.

On motion, conference adjourned till Monday, 9 o'clock a. m.

Order of Preaching

Sunday Morning

Elder Wm. Thompson opend with praise and prayer. His text, Matt. 11.

Elder Thomas Bess followed. Text, John 4: 28.

Elder M. Cooper preached from Ps. 2: 1-7.

Sunday Evening

Elder James Dickens opened with praise and prayer. His

text, Matt. 2: 1.

Elder K. W. Jones followed, using for his text The Merits of the Cross.

The Moderator preached a brief sermon, sang hymn 145, and with a benediction dismissed the people.

Monday Morning

Elder Joe Louis opened the service with hymn 345 and prayer. He preached, using no special text.

Elder Wm. Thompson followed. Text found in 1 John.

The Moderator, after returning thanks to Almighty God for His great blessings, and to this community for their hospitality and kindness in caring for the Association, sang hymn 618, and with a further benediction dismissed the people.

Monday Morning Conference

Conference was opened by Elder Wm. Thompson with praise and prayer.

On motion, the roll of churches was called; all present.

On motion, the Circular Letter was read, received and ordered attached to the minutes.

On motion, agreed Elder A. Hyman will write the Circular Letter for 1943.

On motion, the Finance Committee reported as follows:

Contributions from churches	$ 89.00
Other collections	24.99
Grand total	$113.99

Agreed the Clerk be allowed $20.00 for printing minutes and $10.00 for his services.

The above report was received and the Finance Committee discharged.

Elder A. Hyman, Moderator.
P. H. Thorpe, Clerk.
Elder K. W. Jones, Asst. Clerk.

Disbursements.

For printing minutes	$ 20.00
Clerk's fee	10.00
Elder Wm. Thompson	9.00
Elder A. Hyman	10.00
Elder James Dickens	8.00
Elder K. W. Jones	7.00
Elder Joe Louis	5.00
Elder Marshal Cooper	5.00
Elder Thomas Bess	5.00
Finance Committee	10.00
Committee on preaching	7.50
White's Chapel Church	3.00
Mount Zion	2.00
Lumber	2.00
Bro. C. Cotten	2.00
Miscellaneous	3.49
Left in treasury	5.00
Grand total received	$113.99

Circular Letter.

Dear Beloved Brethren of the Little Kehukee Association:

For as much as you have chosen me to write the Circular Letter for this session of our Association, I now make the feeble attempt to fulfill the obligation conferred upon me, trusting by the help of God these words may bring to you in some measure, joy, peace and consolation.

For thus saith the Lord, I will make a covenant of peace with my people Israel, it shall be an everlasting covenant with them, and I will place them and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them forevermore.

My tabernacle also shall be with them: Yea, I will be their God and they shall be my people.

And the heathen shall know that I the Lord do sanctify Israel when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them forevermore.

And now, dear children, this is our faith and hope, that

this same God which do sanctify Israel, shall also save us from the evil to come, and bring us to salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom be glory and honor and power and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Most humbly submitted,

Your brother in Christ, I trust,

K. W. Jones.

Standing of Churches

Bryants Chapel—Pastor, Elder James Dickens. Sunday of meeting, the second and Saturday before Quarterly meetings, February, May, August and November. Baptised, none, and none received otherwise. Lost by death, none; excluded, one; number in fellowship, 12.

Long Branch— Pastor, Elder James Dickens. Sunday of meeting, the third and Saturday before Quarterly meetings, February, May, August and November. Baptised, one; none received otherwise; lost by death, none; excluded, none; number in fellowship, 13.

Logsboro—Pastor, Elder James Dickens. Sunday of meeting, the fourth and Saturday before Quarterly meetings, February, May, August and November. Baptised, one; none received otherwise; excluded, none; lost by death, two; number in fellowship, 12.

Leggett Chapel—Pastor, Elder James Dickens. Sunday of meeting, the first; Quarterly meetings February, May, August and November. Baptised, none; received none otherwise; lost by death, none; excluded, none; number in fellowship, 18.

Pleasant Grove—Pastor, Elder A. Hyman. Sunday of meeting, the fourth and Saturday before. Quarterly meetings, March, June, September and December. Received by experience of grace, one; none received otherwise; excluded none; restored, none; lost by death, 2; number in fellowship 17.

Thorne's Hill—Pastor, Elder K. W. Jones. Sunday of meeting, the third. Quarterly meetings, March, June, September and December. Received by Baptism, none; by let-

ter, none; excluded, none; lost by death, none; number in fellowship, 20.

Hill's Chapel—Pastor, Elder A. Hyman. Sunday of meeting, the third, and Saturday before Quarterly meetings, March, June, September and December. Baptised, one; none received otherwise; excluded, none; lost by death, none; number in fellowship, 4.

Little Tarboro—Pastor, Elder A. Hyman. Sunday of meeting, the second and Saturday before Quarterly meetings, March, June, September and December. Baptised, none; received none otherwise; excluded, one; lost by death two; number in fellowship, 9.

Mount Ararat—Pastor, Elder A. Hyman. Sunday of meeting, the first. Quarterly meetings, March, June, September and December. Baptised, none; received none otherwise; restored none; excluded, none; lost by death, one; number in fellowship, 29.

Ordained Elders and Their Post Office Address.

Elder A. Hyman.....Tarboro, N. C.
Elder James Dickens.....Conetoe, N. C.
Elder K. W. Jones.....Rt. 2, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder Joe Louis.....Whitakers, N. C.

Licensed Ministers.

Bro. Henry Harris.....Tarboro, N. C.
Bro. Jones Rees.....Conetoe, N.C.

We, the Messengers of the several Churches composing the Little Kehukee Primitive Baptist Association, agree for the satisfaction of our brethren and friends, to publish an abstract of the principles of faith upon which we unite and will endeavor with the help of the Lord to maintain.

1. We believe in the being of God Almighty, Eternal, unchangeable, of infinite wisdom, power, justice, holiness, goodness, mercy and truth, and that this God has revealed Himself in His word under the character of Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

2. We believe that Almighty God has made known His mind and will to the children of men in His word, which word we believe to be divine authority and contain all things necessary to be known for the salvation of men the same is comprehended or contained in the books of the Old and New Testaments.

3. We believe that God before the foundation of the world for the purpose of His own glory did elect a certain number of men and angels to eternal life, and that this election is particular eternal and unconditional on the creatures part.

4. We believe that when God made man he was good and upright, but by his own transgression he fell from the good and upright state and being the head and representative of the whole human race, they being his natural offspring, he involved all of them in the same ruined state with himself, and they are partakers of and exposed to the miseries which sprang from his disobedience.

5. We believe that it is utterly out of the power of man as fallen creature to keep the law of God perfectly, or to truly repent of his sins, or to believe in Christ, except he be drawn in by the Holy Ghost.

6. We believe that in God's own appointed time and way the elect will be called, justified, pardoned and sanctified and that it is impossible that they utterly refuse the call, but shall be willing by divine grace to receive mercy.

7. We believe that justification in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ, received and appointed by faith.

8. We believe that God's elect will be converted and born again by the effectual working of the holy spirit.

9. We believe that those that are called by grace and born again persevere in holiness and never fall finally away.

10. We believe it is the duty incumbent on all God's people to religiously, not in the old covenant way of seeking life and the favor of the Lord by it, but only as a duty from the principle of love.

11. We believe in baptism and the Lord's Supper are gos-

pel ordinances, both belonging to the converted as true believers.

12. We believe every church is independent in matters of discipline, and that Association councils and conferences of ministers, or churches, are not to impose on the church the keeping, holding or maintaining any principle of practice contrary to the church judgment.

13. We believe in the general resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust, and the final judgment.

14. We believe the punishment of the wicked is everlasting and the joys of the righteousness eternal.

15. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances unless he is called and comes under the imposition of hands by the presbytery.

16. Lastly, we believe that for the mutual comfort, union and satisfaction of the several churches of the aforesaid faith and order, we ought to meet in an Association capacity wherein each church ought to be represented by the messengers to advise each other in conference.